

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. In response to the last Office action, claims 11-19 have been amended. Claims 1-27 remain pending.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed May 3, 2010, with respect to claims 11-19 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The 35 USC 101 rejection of claims 11-19 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-27 are allowed.
4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 1-27 are allowed solely in view Appeal Brief filed August 7, 2007 and the Board Decision on Appeal of October 7, 2009.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARDOCHEE CHERY whose telephone number is (571)272-4246. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30A-5:00P.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew Kim can be reached on (571)272-4182. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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